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Fund-raiser in memory of Dave Denman

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Maghull Wind Orchestra is to play a fund-raising concert in aid of St Joseph's Hospice in Thornton (Jospice) – and to pay tribute to one of the band's longest-serving musicians Dave Denman who died last year aged 78.

The concert takes place on Saturday February 3rd at 8pm at St Anne's Church, Prescot Road, Ormskirk. Admission is free but donations are invited. Refreshments will be available.

St. Joseph's Hospice is only partially funded by the NHS and so fundraising is a vital part of the hospice's work. They need to raise £8,750 every day to keep their services running. More information at www.jospice.org.uk

Dave Denman played trombone and saxophone in the orchestra as well as serving as its chair and a committee member. Chair of MWO Kate Warriner said: 'Dave was a cherished friend to many within Maghull Wind Orchestra. We have countless fond memories including his trombone falling to bits during a march and the band marching round him whilst he tried to put it back together! We miss him dearly and our members are honoured to be dedicating this event in his memory.'

Dave, who lived in Litherland, was a well-known figure in north Merseyside. As well as his involvement with MWO he was a leading member of the Derby Arms folk club in Ormskirk and also of Mersey Roads Cycling Club, remaining an active cyclist until shortly before his death.

MWO, one of the North's leading community orchestras with over 100 members, will perform a selection of uplifting music including favourites from films and musicals. More information at www.maghullwindorchestra.com

❖ Maghull Wind Orchestra is a community-based symphonic wind orchestra with over 100 members, drawn from the surrounding area from a broad range of backgrounds. Anyone with a passion for music can join − there are no auditions and no membership fees, making MWO a truly inclusive organisation. The aim of MWO is to provide a high-quality musical experience for all woodwind, brass and percussion musicians, regardless of age or ability, with professional-level directorship headed by the Musical Director Phil Shotton. More information at www.maghullwindorchestra.co.uk